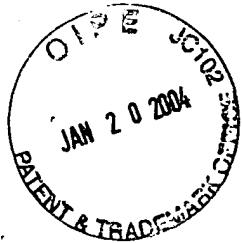


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Title: FOAM COMPRISING A BLEND OF ETHYLENE/STYRENE  
INTERPOLYMER AND POLYETHYLENE

**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

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Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed September 16, 2003 in the above-captioned application. A petition for a one-month extension of time is enclosed.

Reexamination and allowance of the claims are respectfully requested in light of the remarks set forth below.

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

Claims 1-17 stand rejected under 35 USC §102(b) as being anticipated by or, in the alternative, under 35 USC §103(a) as obvious over Chaudhary (US 6,160,029).

Chaudhary discloses a foam comprising a blend of